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1. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR OF DISTRICT OF LA PAZ, DR. VICTOR DURAN VARGAS, REPORTED TO PRESS AUGUST 27 THAT MINISTRY OF INTERIOR HAD REMITTED 74 POLITICAL PRISONERS TO HIS OFFICE DURING JULY. OF THESE PRISONERS, 44 HAVE BEEN RELEASED BY THE JUDGES PROCESSING THEIR CASES, 17 HAVE BEEN PLACED IN PREVENTIVE DETENTION IN THE NATIONAL PENITENTIARY AND 13 HAVE NOT AS YET PRESENTED THEIR STATEMENTS BEFORE THE PRESIDING MAGISTRATES. DR. DURAN FURTHER NOTED THAT THE COURTS ARE ATTEMPTING TO ACCELERATE THE PROCESSING OF THE REMAINING PRISONERS, WHILE NO NEW POLITICAL PRISONERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR SINCE JULY.

2. COMMENT: MININTERIOR APPEARS TO BE COMPLYING WITH HIS JUNE 28 PROMISE TO EXPEDITE HANDLING OF POLITICAL PRISONER CASES. ANY DELAY IN PROCESSING CURRENT BATCH OF CASES IS PROBABLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO NORMAL AMOUNT OF TIME REQUIRED FOR THE FOUR COURTS OF INSTRUCTION IN LA PAZ TO COMPLETE WORK ON THEIR PENDING

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